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COMMUNICATION REGARDING NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND EXAMINER'S INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

This communication is being submitted pursuant to the Notice of Allowance mailed November 15, 2007 and the Examiner's Interview Summary attached thereto. In the Interview Summary, the examiner requests an interview summary from the applicant.

It is believed the response of October 30, 2007 adequately summarizes the substance of the interview of October 30, 2007. Therefore, applicant assumes the Examiner is referring to a subsequent discussion(s) and agreement(s) regarding the incorporation of the recitations of claim 21 and 23 into claim 18, the consequent allowability of claim 18, and the antecedency correction of claim 12 to depend from claim 18 rather than claim 21 (claim 21 was canceled).

Further, the undersigned thought that the Examiner said the correction in claim 12 would be done by an Examiner's amendment. If this is not the case, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned, and a supplemental amendment will be submitted.

In any event, the Notice of Allowance is appreciated, although clarification of the Examiner's Interview Summary is requested, along with the Notice of Allowability.

Respectfully submitted,

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